DNREC'S Division of Parks & Recreation to join partnership in marking second annual Yorklyn Day Festival July 1

Yorklyn Day features many activities for kids, including a live reptile show

YORKLYN (June 21, 2018) — DNREC's Division of Parks & Recreation will join Yorklyn community organizations in presenting the second annual Yorklyn Day, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, July 1 in Yorklyn. The event is a partnership between DNREC's Division of Parks & Recreation, the Center for Creative Arts, Yorklyn Pool, and Dew Point Brewing Co.

DNREC staff will be on hand to discuss the progress on revitalization of the former NVF factory site, as well as the installation of the Paper Mill Bridge, the first in a series of repurposed historic iron truss bridges brought from all over the country to serve community trail users. Auburn Heights Preserve's Steamin' Day is also part of the event, with steam car and miniature train rides and mansion tours from 12:30-4:30 p.m. Also featured is a Sidewalk Chalk Festival contest, where kids can display their art for prizes.

Activities are set up in various areas, almost all within convenient walking distance of the new state park trails. Food trucks will offer a variety of culinary options. Live music, artisans, craft beer, vendors, and non-profit presenters are all part of the festivities.

Activity hubs include:

- 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Dew Point Zone, featuring live music, lawn games, disc golf demo, and craft beer; a chance to try a new craze with Yorklyn Pool-Pickle Ball demonstrations; and Belinda Balloon the Clown
- 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Center for Creative Arts' Art Zone, featuring a Sidewalk Chalk Festival, live music, artisans and art sales, food trucks and adult beverages, and children's art activities
- Noon-4 p.m. Cozy Quarters Farm pony rides
- 1 p.m. Yorklyn Bridge Trail's Kid Zone, and Jungle John's Dinosaur Show
- 1-3 p.m. Juggling Hoffmans
- 2:30 Live reptile show

Event parking is headquartered at H.B. Middle School, 735 Meeting House Road, Hockessin DE 19707. School buses will transport visitors to and from the school to the event site every 15 minutes, with smaller shuttle buses transporting throughout the activity areas. Parking for people with disabilities on the event site is available at Yorklyn Bridge Trail, 1178 Yorklyn Road, Hockessin DE 19707.

More information is available at www.YorklynDay.org, or by calling the Auburn Heights Preserve park office at 302-729-4278.

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